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With one qualifying child and earnings less than \$27,413, or no child and earnings under \$10,380, smaller credits are available.

Actual amounts depend on your total earnings and other income. And you'll need to meet certain rules and file a tax return.

Note: if you expect to qualify for the EITC in 2001 and want to receive advance EITC payments, check with your employer.

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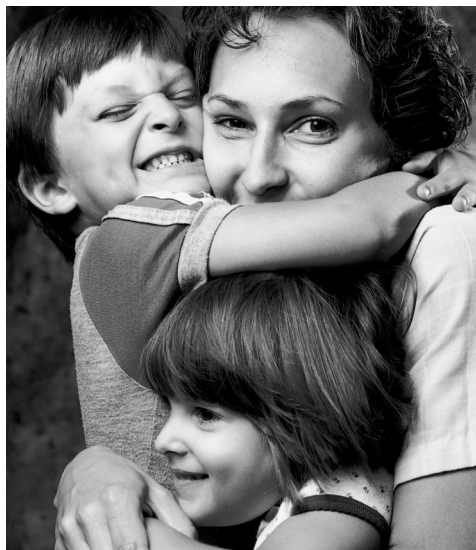
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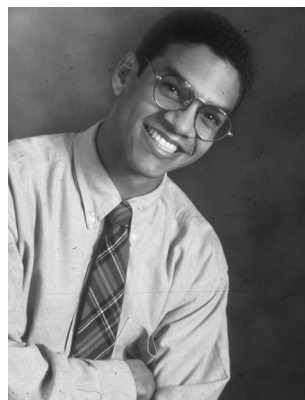


With a Roth IRA, you don't pay tax on qualified withdrawals, not even on earnings and gains. Many traditional IRAs can be converted to a Roth IRA. Of course, you must follow certain rules. See your 2000 IRS tax booklet or check our Web site: [www.irs.gov](http://www.irs.gov)

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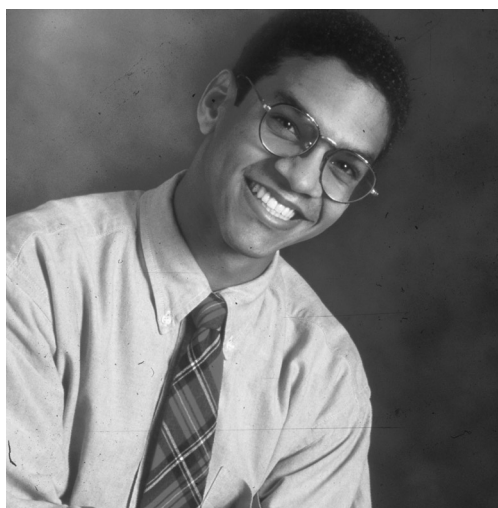
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You might consider an Education IRA, or various options that can make the traditional IRAs more accessible to the needs of education, or buying a first home.

You'll need the specific qualifications, of course. So check your 2000 tax booklet for all available tax relief. Or consult the IRS Web site: [www.irs.gov](http://www.irs.gov)

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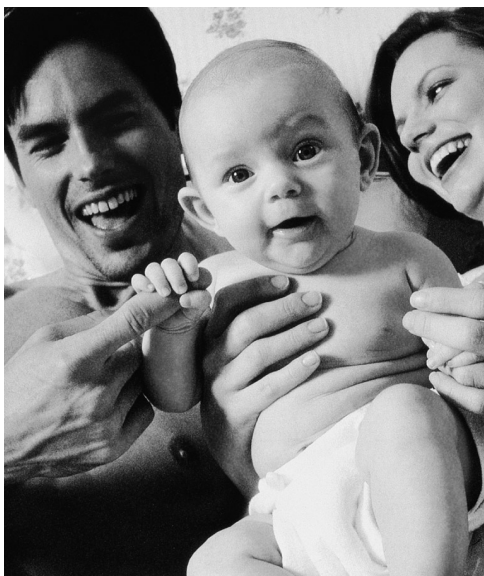
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They're your pride and joy. And what's more, they can save you up to \$500 each, subtracted right off your federal income tax. The Child Tax Credit is an important benefit of the Taxpayer Relief Act.

Who qualifies? Each dependent child, or descendant, stepchild or foster child who is under 17 as of 12/31/00. Must be a U.S. citizen or resident.

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